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# OHIO

## WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

### OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the state was 71.6 degrees, 1.0 degree above normal for the week ending Sunday, June 23. Precipitation averaged 0.12 inches, 0.77 inches below normal. Growing degree days were 14 points below normal.

Reporters rated 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, June 21. This is 1.1 days more than last year and the five-year average. Topsoil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus.

Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 <sup>st</sup> week of April
2002	6.2	4.7	33.1
2001	5.1	5.0	44.5
1997-2001 Average	5.1	3.9	50.1

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	1	11	78	10
Last Week	0	2	64	34
Same Week Last Year	0	8	77	15
1997-2001 Average	8	15	60	17

### FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 23

Warm and sunny conditions allowed farmers across the Buckeye State to make excellent progress harvesting hay, planting soybeans, side-dressing corn and applying herbicides last week. Nearly all of the State’s intended **Soybean** acreage was planted by week’s end with many growers turning their attention to herbicide applications. Eighty-three percent of the acreage has emerged but some

areas are in need of a good shower to insure proper germination. Some growers were also busy replanting beans due to crusting soils and spotty stands. Last week’s weather conditions were ideal for harvesting hay and producers made excellent progress. As of Sunday evening, an additional 25 percent of the Alfalfa acreage had been harvested for the first time, bringing the overall total to 86 percent. This is slightly ahead of last year and in line with the State’s five-year average. A limited amount of alfalfa was harvested for the second time last week. Sixty-eight percent of all **Other Hay** has been harvest, also up 25 percent from the previous week but overall progress continues to trail both last year and the five-year average pace. Hay yields have been fairly good this Spring but overall quality has suffered. **Corn** growers were busy spraying herbicides and cultivating the crop last week in addition to side-dressing nitrogen. Virtually all of the acreage had emerged by week’s end and was responding well to the drier conditions and warmer temperatures. The **Winter Wheat** crop continues to move closer to harvest with 66 percent having turned color and 2 percent considered ripe as of Sunday. Overall crop development is behind the five-year average by nearly 5 days, but harvest should start within the next few weeks if weather conditions remain favorable. **Tobacco** transplanting is quickly coming to an end with only 7 percent of the intended acreage left to be set. No problems with disease or insects have been reported thus far. An additional 17 percent of the State’s **Cucumbers** were planted last week, bringing the overall total to 91 percent. Other field activities taking place included, spreading manure, clipping pastures, and harvesting barley.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

Crop conditions improved last week as fields continued to dry and average daily temperatures increased. The biggest improvement was seen in the State’s Oat crop where 63 percent of the acreage is currently rated in good-to-excellent condition compared to 52 percent rated in these two categories the previous week. No major problems with livestock were reported, but fly populations are increasing.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 23

Crop	2002	2001	1997-01 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Alfalfa hay 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	86	83	86	61	NA
Alfalfa hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	7	7	10	NA	NA
Corn emerged	98	100	100	86	97
Cucumbers planted	91	67	NA	74	NA
Oats headed	57	77	74	43	22
Oats ripe	1	1	4	NA	NA
Other hay 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	68	71	74	43	NA
Other hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	3	2	5	NA	NA
Processing tomatoes planted	99	99	98	96	NA
Soybeans planted	97	99	98	85	92
Soybeans emerged	83	93	92	65	83
Strawberries harvested	69	81	75	47	NA
Tobacco transplanted	93	86	NA	68	NA
Winter wheat turning color	66	82	77	30	NA
Winter wheat ripe	2	4	12	NA	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 23

CORN	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	11	34	44	9
Previous Week	3	11	37	41	8
Previous Year	1	5	23	56	15
HAY	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	9	29	51	9
Previous Week	3	10	34	46	7
Previous Year	1	11	28	52	8
OATS	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	4	32	53	10
Previous Week	2	12	34	47	5
Previous Year	1	4	22	65	8
PASTURE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	4	25	59	11
Previous Week	1	5	27	56	11
Previous Year	1	4	22	58	15
SOYBEANS	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	9	36	46	7
Previous Week	3	7	39	41	10
Previous Year	3	9	30	48	10
STRAWBERRIES	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	3	29	57	9
Previous Week	1	4	32	51	12
Previous Year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
WINTER WHEAT	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	7	29	50	12
Previous Week	2	7	28	49	14
Previous Year	1	7	20	56	16

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JUNE 23

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days <sup>1/</sup>			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	74.2	3.4	0.48	-0.27	10.53	0.81	154	12	960	-6
North Central	72.5	2.4	0.17	-0.68	11.57	1.56	131	-8	931	-3
Northeast	69.1	0.7	0.13	-0.75	12.42	2.26	114	-16	868	-17
West Central	73.2	1.9	0.13	-0.72	13.59	2.80	136	-10	1033	10
Central	72.1	0.9	0.06	-0.90	11.86	1.05	129	-17	1051	5
Central Hills	71.2	1.7	0.05	-0.85	12.40	1.67	124	-12	955	3
Northeast Hills	69.3	-0.3	0.09	-0.84	12.21	1.69	117	-20	954	-18
Southwest	72.6	0.6	0.01	-1.00	16.43	4.48	130	-21	1128	30
South Central	71.3	-0.5	0.02	-0.84	13.67	3.10	126	-25	1172	34
Southeast	70.0	-0.6	0.02	-0.88	13.06	2.47	120	-23	1073	19
STATE	71.6	1.0	0.12	-0.77	12.81	2.21	129	-14	1021	7

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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